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Home at Last

By Alec G. Belisle

MILLBURY - Just a short five months ago, the nation was riveted to their televisions watching the Iraqi War "Live and in Color." Evenings were spent annoyingly flicking from one station to another trying to find the network that provided the most graphic and immediate coverage. On January 15, breaths tightened and an anxious nation waited with uncertainty for grim reports of casualties of its sons and daughters who were actively engaged in the combat. What occurred was the unsuspected. In only four days, Coalition Forces, led by American troops and air power, had achieved all of their objectives, and Iraqi soldiers were in rout, demoralized, or in disarray.

With our soldiers returning home, we can now get a more detailed picture of the one blind spot that the American public was denied, namely what it was like for the front line soldier.

PFC Lincoln Barton, Jr. is one local soldier who participated in Desert Storm. He was home on leave recently, and stopped by the Chronicle to share his experiences. This tall, trim, handsome young man sat in the office in civilian clothes, looking ever so much like his 21 year old counterparts who have not been to war. Except for an aura of pride and dignity, undoubtedly forged by his war experiences, his hopes, desires and aspirations are the same as anyone his age. When he spoke of the war, however, there was a maturity and pensiveness that was forged by the seriousness of his actions.

Barton explained that his battalion was originally ordered to go to Okinawa in August. However, on August 21, they received new orders to go to Saudi Arabia. The 800 men in the battalion sailed for 21 days aboard an LST to their destination. Barton was part of the Marine Victor Unit, 1st Battalion, 6th Marine Infantry of the 3rd Marine Division. During the war, he drove a five ton transport and resupply vehicle which was an integral part of the logistical train bringing up ammunition, mortars, claymore mines, grenades, food and more to the troops.

Barton explained that his battalion was first stationed right on the ocean at Camp Dailey for one month in order for the soldiers to become acclimated to the climate. "It was 130 degrees during the day and dropped to 60 to 70 degrees at night," he said.

His battalion then moved about 220 miles inland from their base at the port of Jubail to a cement factory which he described as neutral territory. "The land is flat," he said, "just flat sand with little hills and a lot of oil pipe lines." During October and November the troops became oriented to the climate and their work.

"After that we constantly moved," Barton said. "We weren't in place for a week. It was hard not sleeping but we had to know what our objective was and practice for it. Most of our work was done at night. They'd let us rest during the day, but it was difficult with the sand storms. They'd usually come down from the north at twelve in the afternoon and there'd be a really strong wind that would last for three or four hours, then it would be over for the evening and the early part of the morning would be fine, then it would start all

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Students Capture [illegible]2,500 in Tools and Scholarships

Photo courtesy of Blackstone Valley Tech

(l-r) Peter Nikolajevs, Scott Kurtyka, Jamie Wooldridge, Tammy Desrosiers, Christopher Lindquist, Roy Amador, Brian Mathon, Dennis Asselin (instructor) Ted Morin (Instructor), and Robert Cournoyer, Vocational Team Leader.

UPTON - Six Automotive Technology students from Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School recently returned from the State Vocational Industrial Club of America (V.I.C.A.) Olympics.

Valley Tech's students captured the top three places in Automotive Technology, the top two in Automotive Machine Shop, and a third place medal in Job Skills Demonstration, Non-Traditional. This is the second year in a row Valley Tech has produced the top Automotive Service Technology Award and the fourth year medals have been won.

This year's medal winners are: Gold, Automotive Service Technology, Peter Nikolajevs, senior from Millbury; Bronze, Job Skills Demonstration, Tammy Desrosiers, senior from Sutton; Gold, Auto Machine, Christopher Lindquist, sophomore from Grafton; Silver, Auto Machine, Roy Amador, senior from Upton; Silver, Auto Tech, Jamie Wooldridge, junior from Uxbridge; Bronze, Auto Tech, Scott Kurtyka, Senior from Douglas.

Peter Nikolajevs will go on to the National V.I.C.A. competition that will be held June 24-29 in Louisville, Kentucky.

The students are coached by their instructors: Robert Cournoyer, South Grafton; Dennis Asselin, Blackstone; and Theodore Morin, Sutton.

County League Champs

MILLBURY - (L-R) Matt Tella, Team Captain Joe Carpenter, Rebecca Kupcinskas, Dave Rossow and Kevin Pease were the winners of the Southern Worcester County League General Knowledge Competition held at Oxford High School on May 2. The students' victory came after defeating opponents from area high schools in three rounds of competition during which they answered questions on a wide range of academic subjects. Millbury defeated Leicester High in the first round by a score of 17-15, defeated Oxford High in the second round by a score of 21-12, and defeated Uxbridge High by a score of 29-10 to win the overall competition.

The Paul Revere Saga: Chapter Three

(This is the third in a series of articles dealing with the problems that have plagued the Paul Revere Condominiums off Grafton Street since the project first came before the Millbury Planning Board in 1983.)

By Andree A. Belisle

MILLBURY - On June 6, 1983, Robinson & Fox, a division of Boston Survey Consultants, Inc., consultants to the town, provided the Planning Board with a review of the proposed Paul Revere Condominiums off Grafton Street. The board had requested a review of the plans and roadway profiles submitted on May 13, 1983 by Charles A. Perkins Co., Inc. for Forrow Builders, Inc.

Robinson & Fox submitted recommendations that they said should be considered in the preparation of final plans and materials in order to comply with the Subdivision Rules and Regulations of the town of Millbury. Those recommendations included the following:

- Drainage calculations should be prepared using the SCS Modified Soil Cover Complex Method. A design storm of a 20-year frequency should be used for storm drainage and retention basins, and one of a 50-year frequency for culverts, with consideration given to the effects of a 100-year storm event. All undeveloped, tributary areas should be assumed to be fully developed for proposed conditions.

- Drainage structures should conform to the standards as specified in the subdivision rules and regulations. Velocities of flow within

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I want to take this opportunity to thank the voters and workers who supported my candidacy for re-election to the Board of Selectmen.
Roland M. Lachance, Millbury

I would like to thank all those who supported me in last week's Town Election. My sincere thanks and appreciation.
Jude T. Cristo, Millbury

I would like to express sincere appreciation to everyone who wrote my name in for the Sutton Planning Board vacancy April 27. I especially thank Denise Harrison for her encouragement and undying support - she will be a tough act to follow!
Gina Betti, Sutton

MHS Class of '41 to Hold 50th Reunion

MILLBURY - Millbury High School's Class of 1941 will hold its 50th reunion at the Grafton Inn on June 8. Classmates, former members of the class, and friends are invited to attend. For additional information, contact Ruth (Aubin) Gonsorcik at 865-2721 or Francis Hamilton at 865-6469.

Study Committee Submits Final Report

MILLBURY - The Route 146 Study Committee (RSC) has submitted its final report to the Board of Selectmen on the Route 146/90/20 Interchange proposal.

The report states that the Committee supports the creation of an interchange, with the majority believing the interchange "is necessary to bring economic development to Millbury, Worcester and the Blackstone Valley. This interchange serves to benefit the region as a whole," the report states, "inasmuch as each community's financial situation is largely dependent on the economic condition of the region and the state as a whole. We believe that it is imperative that we look at this project as the same. However, we are of the opinion that Millbury can create a situation which will provide for economic development locally and thus reduce residential property owner's tax burden. Further, we wee this economic development and interchange as providing a driving impetus in improving the condition of the degrogated mills within our community and fostering an economic resurgence to our downtown. In short, we assert that the interchange is a shot in the arm to our region and our community. The interchange will provide a better means of travel from here to there and back again. This better transportation route means further economic development and a means of jump starting our region's economic engine."

The report concedes that there is a "minority opinion," which feels that Millbury does not need the interchange. "However," the report states, "this minority opinion also contends that the interchange will be built with or without Millbury's support. Hence, Millbury should work to get the most out of the proposals presented."

The study committee's responsibility was to recommend an interchange that provided for: better traffic flow, a safer highway, potential economic development, public consensus, the greatest benefits to Millbury.

Originally, the RSC was presented with three options in creating the interchange: 1. do not build it; 2. build it with the northbound access between Route 122A and 90 on the Easterly side of Route 146; and 3. build it with the northbound access between Route 90 and 20 on the easterly side of Route 146.

In its draft report, the RSC ruled out option 2 as impractical because of safety, access, removal of prime lands, and environmental considerations.

The RSC then asked that the state demonstrate a westerly alignment along the existing Route 146 on the westerly side of the Blackstone River. This proposal became option 4. After review, the study committee felt that the ecological considerations in viaducting 1.5 miles of river would be prohibitive. In addition, the Army Corps of Engineers, EPA, DEP and other environmental organizations were opposed to the plan. It is also estimated that some $65-80 million would be added to the total cost of the project if this alternative were chosen.

The RSC does support option 3 with certain provisions:
1. Take properties north of Route 90 to the Worcester line serviced by way of access from Route 146 to provide for a limited access highway.
2. Establish sound and screen barriers along impacted neighborhoods.
3. Repave and widen Greenwood Street and Park Hill Avenue.
4. Provide for protection of the Blackstone River and town drinking wells.
5. Develop a fire safety plan adequately, and fire protection needs.
6. Install a traffic light west of Route 146 on the interchange to provide for northbound U-turn movement.
7. Create a highway break at the Worcester-Millbury line on the new Route 146 with signalization for emergency vehicles.
8. Have State agree to mitigate any increased traffic levels of service on Millbury roads attributed to the interchange.
9. The construction of Scheme 1A to handle the 122A/146 intersection with modifications to include the creation of a cul-de-sac of Park Hill Avenue at Route 146 and the elimination of the proposed North Main Street and Martin Street connecting road.
10. The approval of proposed Route 146 legislation with appropriations.
11. The creation of a greenway and bike route parallel to the Blackstone River throughout the project area.
12. The payment of monies to the Town of Millbury for lost personal and property revenues associated with land taking created by the project. Said monies are to be paid to the community until new growth figures compensate for said lost revenues. Payments to the town will decrease annually to reflect new revenues received in the 146 corridor.

The report states that Millbury should encourage the region to endorse its position and push for construction of the project quickly. The RSC believes that a Route 146 Neigh-

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pipes should be maintained between two and ten feet per second, and under five feet per second on ground surface.

- Water mains should be of cement-lined ductal iron pipe, not less than 8 inches in diameter, and should have a minimum cover of at least 6 feet. Gates should be placed along mains at a maximum spacing of not more than 1,000 feet.

- Fire hydrants, including associated gates and valves, should be placed not more than 500 feet apart.

- On-site sewage disposal systems should be designed and installed in strict compliance with Title 5 of the State Environmental Code.

Among the miscellaneous comments contained in the report, were the following:

1. "All vegetative wetland limits should be shown as required in M.G.L. as it is quite apparent that there are considerable wet areas within the project bounds. It is suggested that the Board does not want to get involved with approval of site plans that can't be built or are in conflict with current wetlands regulations. The wetland areas can also affect the density requirements."

2. "If town sewerage is proposed within ten (10) years, sewer laterals for the development should be considered."

3. "A possible traffic safety problem could occur at the intersection of Bunker Hill Road with Grafton Street. The site distances in both directions along Grafton Street should be shown."

At the **AUGUST 15 PLANNING BOARD** meeting, a letter of resignation was received from board member Walter Tebo as he was moving out of town.

Present for that meeting were Planning Board members Jim Fitzpatrick, Chairman; Phil Dumas; Donald Markey; Mary Anne Dube; Town Planner Robert Weitz; and summer intern Alan Gordon.

Quotations that follow are from minutes of that meeting as taken by then Planning Board Secretary Mary Clark.

Prior to any discussion on the Paul Revere Condominium issue, Chairman Fitzpatrick announced that he had written a letter to Town Counsel regarding a "'conflict of interest' as his wife works for a realtor that may be involved in the sale of the condominiums that are proposed on Grafton St. Mr. Fitzpatrick stated that until he receives a decision from Town Counsel, he will step down from the discussion by the board."

[The **Chronicle** was unable to obtain a copy of Fitzpatrick's letter to Town Counsel.]

Alan Gordon reported on a traffic count that he did on August 1, 1983. He said that 301 vehicles went towards Grafton; 294 toward Millbury. He also said that drivers would have clear visibility coming out of Bunker Hill Road, the main road of the condominium project.

Rene Chapman, engineer from the town's consultants, Boston Surveying Co., said he would like to discuss some concerns he had with Forrow Builders' plan as submitted by Charles Perkins Co.

Chapman said the plan did not include any signs of elevation, and property lines were not established. He also questioned whether three fire hydrants, as proposed on the plan, would be sufficient for 180 units.

Chapman said he did not see any drainage calculations on the plan, and in one location there were no sites for septic systems. He questioned whether the perc tests were done, and said he did not have any information regarding water service and water pressure.

Mark Donohoe, representing Charles E. Perkins Engineering, said the drainage calculations were given to Chapman.

Chapman said he would like to see the drainage areas on the plan. Chapman also questioned the size of the water main and wanted to know the size of the drainage pipe on Grafton Street. He also said the width of the road was not listed on the plan.

Chapman said the grading plan "tends to be generalized." He also noted that there were no scales on the plan and nothing that showed the name of the owner or developer.

Chapman also referred to his company's June 6th report, and Weitz replied that some of the concerns expressed in that letter were addressed at the board's last meeting, "such as water pressure, drainage, etc."

Planning Board Vice Chairman Phil Dumas then said the main concerns of the citizens are traffic, drainage, and sewerage. He said he visited the site on three different occasions. "One observation is that the traffic does flow at a rather brisk pace."

Attorney Paul Revere O'Connell, representing Forrow Builders, Inc., told the board, "as far as traffic is concerned, there is a problem that exists now and that this is not a problem because of the proposed condominium project." He said the traffic study indicates that the street can handle the volume of traffic that will be there when the condominiums are built. "He does not feel it would be a valid reason to deny the Special Permit because of the traffic."

O'Connell then said that as far as the water problem is concerned, "he felt that this had been addressed at the (public) hearing and a letter that was read tonight from Mass. American Water Co. indicates that there would be sufficient water for the 180 condominiums."

Regarding sewerage, O'Connell stated, "the developer has complied with state standards. They have done on-site tests and have had good perc tests. The septic systems that are proposed will service the 180 units. Mr. Donoghue's [spelling of Perkins Co. engineer Mark Donohoe was "Marc Donaghue" or "Marc Donoghue" throughout the Planning Board minutes] opinion is that they are as satisfactory as regular sewers would be. He further stated that whatever decision the Board makes regarding dry sewer lines or the self-contained sewer system, that the developer would abide by it."

Donohoe stated that sub-surface sewer systems will provide as much disposal as a sewer system. "He feels it is more effective."

In response to Chapman's comments regarding the issues that were not listed on the plan, O'Connell said he did not see a problem with these and felt they could be resolved.

Regarding the fire hydrants, Donohoe said, "three fire hydrants are sufficient as far as he is concerned. However, if the Fire Dept. feels that more are needed, they will include them."

Donohoe also said that the reason for block manholes versus precast is purely economical. He said the reason for cape cod berm "is because the road and curb are the same color and it makes a nice appearance." He said that bituminous concrete sidewalks "look nicer because they blend in with the road."

Weitz said he would like to see concrete sidewalks.

Chapman said if the water pressure is about 100, then there would be no problem.

Weitz then listed lot size calculations for the development. [Although it does not state so in the minutes, the Chronicle discovered a letter in the Planning Board files that shows that Weitz requested information on the calculations from Forrow Builders' Attorney Paul O'Connell.]

"You asked for information as to how many condominium units are allowable under the Millbury Zoning By-Law within the premises which is the subject of an application for Special Permits submitted by Forrow Builders, Inc.," the letter reads. "Enclosed is a copy of calculations prepared by Charles A. Perkins Co., Inc.

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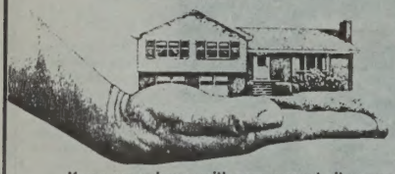

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borhood Survey Conducted on February 23, 1991 indicates neighborhood support and approval of the project provided that they are relocated.

The report also states that a town wide community survey sponsored by the Planning Board and endorsed by the Selectmen indicated more than majority support of the project by those who responded. The survey was sent to every residence in the community; 25% responded.

The report concludes be stating that the RSC "should be tasked the responsibility to gain support and monitor the project's progress so as to ensure the community's vested interests. Further, additional studies need to be accomplished as to how Route 20 can be improved within the Millbury area. Most importantly, written commitments and guarantees that the State will adopt all of Millbury's conditions."

Copies of the report and accompanying documents are available at the Town Hall and the Library. Residents are encouraged to make their opinions on the report known to local officials. The report will be discussed by the Selectmen at their May 14 meeting.

Another Point of View

Why Plan?

By Lawrence Moore

You and I may live to see it! Sometime in the next 100 years, civilization as we know it could be in chaos.

Let's go back. Think back as far as you can. Did your doctor make house calls? Was pollution an everyday concern? Were you concerned about your intake of dietary fat? In the news, did you read or hear about the black hole, global warming, fish poisoned by mercury, wells fouled by toxic waste, the Amazon jungle, the drug problem, 50% dropouts in urban schools, and so on, ad infinitum.

Did health insurance, if you had it, take so much of your budget? If you didn't have it, could you still get by? Was it almost a necessity for a young couple both to hold jobs to pay for their house? How large were the welfare rolls? Were you worried about nuclear waste? Again, so on ad infinitum.

John Donne, about 1600, said, "No man is an island". Today, more than ever no man, no country, no continent is isolated. When one defaults, another suffers...we have come to global interdependence.

Think how fast AIDS traveled, how far and for how long the Chernobyl catastrophe is being felt, how San Diego beaches are closed because Tijuana has no sewage disposal system, how brown the Blue Danube is because it is central Europe's sewer? Heed John Donne once more "never send to know for whom the bell tolls; it tolls for thee." Almost a century ago Arthur Conan Doyle, creator of Sherlock Holmes, said "the lowest and vilest alleys of London do not present a more dreadful record of sin than does the smiling and beautiful countryside."

The population of the globe is increasing geometrically. Progress has increase the birth rate. Millions starve daily. We have the food but we can't deliver it where needed.

A movement starts to "preserve" the Antarctic, even before we know what resources exist. Is it possible enlightened development would enhance the lives of the world's billions of people?

More than 1/3 of our people are over 50, the fastest growing segment of the population. How will we care for their increasing health and social needs? What tensions will arise in the struggle between the young and the aged?

In today's world wide recession, capital investment in Japan will grow 10%, in the US it will shrink 10%. The Japanese personal savings rate is about 14%, in the US last year it rose to 4.5%. In the wake of today's economic warfare, seers predict military strife as Japan's growth is restricted by its geography. What is obvious to many seems to be ignored by our Government.

"Peace" offensives, economic planning and industrial policy will come to naught if we do not have a world which will tolerate and support us. The United States and the United Nations must study, project and plan for the next hundred years. The last hundred years exposed our incapacity to improve man's lot on his fast deteriorating microcosm. If we continue willy nilly, as we have, our progress will be, at best, two steps forward and one step back. With global planning, with direction, by divining the problems and creating solutions, our burgeoning population will inherit a hospitable planet.

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By Rosemary Waltos

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The first course will be Compu-View, Thursday, May 16 at 3:30 p.m. This is a basic getting-to-know-the-computer course that is a must to use the computer in the children's room and to take Word Processing. Registration is open to children in grades three and up starting May 7.

Word Processing will be offered on Thursday, May 23, at 3:30 p.m. Students will learn word processing using the teacher recommended and easy-to-use Bank Street Writer program. Registration open to children in grades three and up starting May 14.

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"The total acreage which is under option is 67.178 acres. The four single-family dwelling lots which will not be included in the condominium and which will be shown on a separate 'Approval not Required' plan total 2.938 acres. The zoning by-law sets forth an adjustment factor of 1.13 where public water supply is present. The first unit requires 32,000 square feet and the remaining units 14,000 square feet. The land under option excluding the four front lots would support 223.57 condominium units. If an additional 14 acres is excluded from the condominium, the remaining land would support the proposed 180 units."

The board then authorized Boston Surveying Co. and Weitz to discuss engineering problems with Charles E. Perkins Co.

Norman Guerin, a resident of Braney Road and also the treasurer of the Oakwood Heights Water District, then presented the Board with a financial report of the Water District.

Raymond Dubois, a Commissioner of the Water District, said he opposed Guerin's presentation of the report because commission members had not seen it.

Guerin replied that he had his lawyer's okay to present the report.

Dubois then said he has been trying to reach Fire Chief Tom Nault to see if there would be adequate fire protection.

Planning Board member Donald Markey asked that a letter be sent to the Fire Chief regarding water pressure and a letter to the water company regarding water rates.

Markey said he contacted the Edgebrook Condominium Association at Sterling Meadows and they will report back to him on the number of children there.

O'Connell said that no meeting has been held with the Conservation Commission as yet, "because the wetlands will not be affected until the final phase of the project, probably a couple of years."

Forrest said that some of the perc tests have been done and he will forward the information he has received to Boston Surveying Co.

On AUGUST 15, 1983, the Planning Board received notice that a group of citizens had organized as the "Citizens Condominium Committee." The committee consisted of: Joy Greenfield, Raymond Guerin, Patricia Juneau, Anthony Mangano, Marla O'Neil, and Barbara Tuttle.

Their announcement stated, "The desire and intent of the Committee is to work with the Planning Board, developers and population of our town and more fully understand the impact of condominium construction upon the town and upon its citizens. We believe that decisions made, by our town boards, concerning large developments such as the proposed site by FOR-ROW Builders off Grafton Street, are precedent setting and therefore affect the quality and direction of the future growth of our community. We further believe that decisions of this magnitude warrant full discussion with the entire populace of our community, and that specific and comprehensive requirements concerning condominium construction be presented to the town populace for discussion if such do not currently exist."

In concluding its statement, the Committee asked the Planning Board to indefinitely postpone action on the Special Permit request to construct Paul Revere Village "to allow further fact finding and to allow the population of the town a chance for more involvement on a decision of this magnitude."

In a separate memo, the Committee also expressed the following concerns:

1. "Do we have, or can we adopt a set of requirements and guidelines for condominium construction in the town of Millbury."
2. Questioned the validity of a traffic survey on Grafton Street because construction was taking place on the street both in Grafton and Millbury at the time the survey was done.
3. "Can the D.E.Q.E. or has the D.E.Q.E. been involved with an Environmental Impact Study with regards to surface water control and septic system density impact?"
4. "Will our property values be affected - short term/long term and how?"
5. "Who would be responsible for the maintenance of the condominiums and to what authority would they be responsible?"
6. "Are there any concerns with volume or pressure of water available both in normal use or with a fire emergency?"
7. "Can limitations be set regarding percentage of condos sold for investment purposes?"

At the **AUGUST 22 PLANNING BOARD** meeting, Weitz reports that letters were sent to the Conservation Commission, Fire Engineers, and Oakwood Heights Water District, regarding the impact of the condominiums. "Mr. R. Weitz stated that he would like to review their responses, but to date, has received none."

Raymond Guerin, Braney Road resident, expressed concern that the building of the condominiums derogates from the intent of the bylaw.

Weitz replied that "in issuing a Special Permit, the board has to make a decision that the plan does not derogate from the bylaw."

Due to the fact that no responses were received from the different boards contacted, no further discussion took place that night.

On AUGUST 22, the citizens committee presented the following two additional concerns to the planning board:

1. "Suburban zoning specifies low-to-moderate density dwellings as the intent of the law. Criteria for Special Permits indicates as one of the reasons for not issuing a permit - derogation from the intent of the law."
2. "Can the extent of wetlands on the proposed project area be evaluated by Conservation Commission or another group so that the total area available for construction is known before determining the number of units to be ultimately constructed."

On AUGUST 24, Planning Board Chairman asked the Millbury School Committee to comment on the "impacts that the proposed townhouse project will have upon the school system."

On AUGUST 30, 1983, the Millbury Board of Health sent the Planning Board a copy of the results of 35 percolation and deep hole tests taken to date for the Paul Revere project. "These results indicate that the minimum standards for the protection of the public health and environment can be met with the use of individual sanitary septic systems in this area," the letter reads. "The Board of health has no objection to the project and gives full approval for construction.

"However," the letter continues, "please note that approval of this plan by our board does not constitute approval for construction of an individual sewage disposal system for all 180 units. Each lot and test must be evaluated separately to determine proper placement of the disposal area."

The percolation tests were done by Lavallee Brothers Inc. of Sutton and signed off by Board of Health Agent Walter Weldon.

On **SEPTEMBER 8, 1983**, the superintendent of schools, in a letter to the planning board, "estimates" that less than 50 youngsters should be residing in such a develop-

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the school system; a look at counseling staff assignments; the ratio of counselors to students at each level; and how to use counselors in the most appropriate ways. He also said that there was a need for someone to oversee the guidance program to provide for direction.

Pojani said that major concerns of parents are in the areas of communications and the role of a counselor.

Palermo said there will be an effort to explain the counselor's role and look at other ways to make counselors available at different times of the day than what is traditional.

Pojani remarked that guidance services need to be worked on, especially at the high school. "It could be much stronger," she said. She also said a strength listed in the report on guidance follow-up of students' grades was not shared by parents. "I'm surprised at that being listed as a strength," she said. "From what I hear from parents, they do not consider that a strength."

Palermo replied that initially it was shown as a strength, but after a lot of discussion it was seen as a concern. He said the recommendations show that.

Pojani then asked about the student/counselor ratio and how it compares to other systems.

Sylvia replied that there is one full time counselor and two part time counselors at the high school and one counselor, who has additional duties, working with grade 7 and 8 students.

No one specifically answered her question on the ratio.

Sylvia did note that with declining enrollments at the high school, the guidance staff was reduced.

Pojani asked how often the counselors see each student in a year.

High School Guidance Counselor Ray Gemme said at least once a year when course selection sheets are done. "It depends on a variety of things," he said. "We see some frequently. Some come in with problems we would not like to see. We see juniors more now as they prepare for college, and seniors we see at the first of the year."

Pojani asked what the role of the counselor is relative to student placement in classes.

Gemme replied that counselors are not comfortable with student placement. "We have no control; parents have control," he said. "Unfortunately, it is not always the best situation. We recommend placement in some cases, but parents say no."

He also said that teacher recommendations and other criteria are used for grade level III or honors level courses.

If a parent insists against a recommendation, Gemme said, it is reviewed at the end of the 1st quarter marking period.

Marble said that when push comes to shove, he hopes the guidance department will be aggressive in holding the line with parents. He also said that teacher input is important. "I do hope the school is not giving in too early," he said, "especially if teachers and guidance do not recommend a placement."

Elementary counselor Diane Ferkela said there is a need for one person to oversee all of guidance. She said at the elementary level, guidance services are primarily preventative by nature.

Palermo noted that he has a background in guidance, and said he will be overseeing guidance services. He said he is not contemplating creating a position of Director of Guidance.

Busing

Business Manager Sue Pierce submitted a report to the committee on some changes in bus service that could provide a savings of $20,000 in 1992 transportation costs.

The proposed changes would reduce the number of buses from nine to eight for each level. Students who live within a mile of a bus stop in grades 7-12 would be asked to walk to the nearest bus stop. She noted that in some areas where there are hazardous situations, students would be picked up, and, if necessary, a van could be used to bring them to the bus stop.

Marble said he appreciated all the work Pierce had done but was hesitant to have children walking on some of the roads. He said there are many factors to consider, including road conditions and students walking alone. "For a $20,000 savings, I don't want kids walking on streets," he said.

Hanratty agreed with Marble, but said the committee has to plan ahead as next year transportation costs could go up. "We have to start addressing the problem now," he said. "It could cost us $60 -70,000 more later."

Pierce said that under state law, the contract will have to go out to bid in 1993. The present cost is $90 per hour, per bus, while, according to Pierce, other towns are paying $135-$140 per hour.

Pierce also said that John Lola, bus provider, has to replace some buses next year as required by law. She said Lola has indicated that if eight buses were to be required at each level he would not have to order any new buses next year.

She asked the committee to review her report and discuss it at a future meeting.

Marble asked that each committee member go out, look at the routes, and then stop and ask the question, "Do we want our kids out there walking?"

Volunteers Needed for Thrift Store

MILLBURY - Grand Buys, a new thrift store at 71 Elm Street, is looking for volunteers to staff the store on Saturdays during the day and on Thursday evenings, beginning June 27. Grand Buys is operated by Grand Industries in Sutton, a subsidiary of Horace Mann Educational Associates, a non profit agency serving individuals with developmental disabilities. The store will open to the public in late June.

In addition to sales help, volunteers are also needed to assist in setting up the shop. Grand Buys will begin selling clothing with expansion to other items in the future. Experience in retail and/or sales is helpful as well as an interest in working with the public.

Grand Buys is also accepting donations of clothing beginning May 13. All types of clothes are needed that are in "ready to be sold" condition. Items can be dropped off Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Grand Industries, Burnap Industrial Park, 12A John Road, Sutton. Receipts for the tax deductible donations are available. For more information, contact Michele Mayer at 865-0568.

Communion Supper

MILLBURY - St. Brigid's Women's Club Annual Communion Supper will be held on May 16. The evening will begin with a Mass at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner at the Cocke 'n Kettle Restaurant. The speaker for the evening will be Mel Simons.

Make checks payable to St. Brigid's Women's Club and mail to St. Brigid's Church, 59 Main St., Millbury, MA 01527. Entrees are Boneless Chicken, $13.00, or Baked Stuffed Shrimp, $16.00.

DAR Meeting

SUTTON - The May meeting of the General Rufus Putnam Chapter of the DAR will be a luncheon at noon on Thursday, May 16, at the Spencer Country Inn. The speaker will be a member of the United States Armed Forces. Members are asked to let either Martha Gravelin or Barbara Beaton know by Monday, May 13, if they plan to go.

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School Committee Discusses Guidance Department Audit

By Edward J. Cooney

MILLBURY - The first order of business before the School Committee on May 7 was the election of a chairman and vice chairman/secretary. By unanimous vote, Chet Hanratty was named Chairman and Ed Wilczynski Vice Chairman/Secretary.

Presentation

Superintendent Alfred Sylvia called upon Barbara Debs and Frank Morrill, high school staff personnel, who were present to present a program on the use of technology in history courses at the Jr./Sr. high school.

Debs gave a presentation developed by grade 7 and 8 students on a multi-media approach to the understanding of the Constitutional Amendments. She said the approach was developed in the technology labs by students during their study periods. Debs said this new approach to learning is designed to help students become independent and collaborative learners.

Morrill introduced three of his students who gave a multi-media presentation of "Life in the Mid 1880's - North and South Prior to the Civil War." Morrill said the use of a multi-media approach developed a strong interest in history for most students as they spent many hours after school on their own time doing research.

The School Committee praised the presentation.

Sports Eligibility Policy

High School Principal Dan Carmody was present to discuss the high school athletic eligibility policy for the fall. In making his report, he said he surveyed the policies of other schools in the Southern Worcester County area.

Carmody said he favors retaining the present policy which states that students must pass all subjects for the year in order to be eligible for fall sports. Under the policy, any student failing a subject can attend summer school to make up the course which would give the student an opportunity to be eligible for fall sports. A student could fail the 4th quarter, but if the cumulative grade for the year is passing, the student would meet the eligibility requirement .

Carmody also strongly emphasized that sports can help keep some students in school. "I wouldn't want to lose kids," he said, "because sometimes sports becomes the factor that holds them here and keeps them in school."

Carmody gave an example of a 9th grader who failed in grade 9 but recovered and went on to graduate after he received some success in sports. He said that success in turn gave him more self-esteem which resulted in his getting better grades.

Hanratty said he would like to see a change in the present policy as some students could "cruise" through the 4th quarter but still could pass for the year. He said he favored the policies noted in Carmody's report from Northbridge, Bartlett and Shepherd Hill that indicate a student must pass the 4th quarter.

"If you take the worst case scenario," Hanratty said, "a student could get all 80's in the first three quarters and then get a zero for the fourth quarter and pass for the year and still be eligible to play in the fall." He said he preferred to make students work through the fourth quarter.

Carmody asked to be allowed to do more research on the issue to see how many students may have been excluded in the past.

Wilczynski said he would go along with Carmody's request and asked that he and Athletic Director Dave Wilbur include their rationale for retaining the present policy for fall eligibility in a written report to the committee.

Carmody will report back on May 15.

Constitution Competition

Carmody reported on the participation of the U.S. History Honors Class in the finals of the National Bicentennial Competition on the Constitution and Bill of Rights in Washington D.C. April 27-29. He said that even though the students did not win the competition, "Our kids did a herculean effort. There was tough competition. They win a lot just in the fact that they were there in the finals," he said.

The committee unanimously endorsed a proposal by Sylvia to present individual plaques and letters of commendation to each student.

Sylvia also commended teacher Roger Desrosiers for his outstanding and dedicated performance in coaching the students.

Miscellaneous

- Sylvia reported that the clerical staff has petitioned the Labor and Industries Commission for a hearing to become members of Local 495. The hearing will be held on June 2.

- Sylvia recommended the following individuals for coaching positions: Nick DiCarlo, boys varsity soccer; Greg Bernard, assistant boys soccer coach; Elaine Bush, girls varsity; Jodi Bush, assistant girls soccer coach.

Guidance Audit

Assistant Superintendent Richard Palermo gave a brief summary of 22 recommendations from a recent Guidance Audit. He said the recommendations put together by staff and parents are a good basis for improving on some guidance services and for maintaining what is already being done well.

Palermo said changes suggested include: improvements in communications with students, staff, and parents; more involvement of counselors in staff meetings; a finger on everything that is going on in the school; a clearer understanding of what the role of the counselor is at each level in

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Celebrates 60th Anniversary

MILLBURY - Ludvigson's Jewelers, located at 4 Main Street, is celebrating its 60th Anniversary. Owner Juha Kuusisaari explained that the exact date the store opened is not known, but information gathered from residents indicates that the store was in operation when Millbury National Bank was built in 1931. Kuusisaari is using the 1931 date as the starting point to celebrate the anniversary of Ludvigson's Jewelers, the area's second oldest jewelry store in continuous operation. Ludvigson's is having a month long celebration featuring special items and a number of prizes.

Mossa Named Fellow

WORCESTER - Assumption College Senior Mark S. Mossa has been named a Fellow by The Thomas J. Watson Foundation for 1991-92. The Watson Fellowship Program is a national competition which supports independent foreign research and travel for recent college graduates. Single Fellows receive stipends of $13,000. The grants support a year of focused study and experience in a field in which the Fellow has demonstrated the potential for leadership.

Mossa will be studying circulation and marketing in the newspaper industry. He will be pursuing his study in Australia, England, France, and Canada with a focus on newspapers' efforts to maintain and increase their readership.

Mossa, a resident of Sutton, will graduate from Assumption in May with a Bachelor's Degree in English. He currently serves as Editor-in-Chief of Assumption's student newspaper, Le Provocateur. He plans to begin his Watson Fellowship project in late August.

Independence Day Parade

MILLBURY - Anyone interested in participating in the Lions Club's Independence Day Parade is asked to call 865-4898 for a registration form or more information. The theme of this year's parade is, "Proud To Be An American."

Mother's Day Service

SUTTON - On May 12, at 9:30 a.m., the First Baptist Church, Central Turnpike, will hold its annual Mother's Day service. The special guests will be Aline Bourdeau, representing the Church Women United of Millbury and Sutton, and Beverly Johnson, soprano soloist from Auburn.

Carnations will be distributed to all women in attendance. A brief coffee hour will follow the service. For those who wish to attend, a group from the church will be dining at a local restaurant at 11:30 a.m. Reservations may be made in advance by contacting the Reverend Olson at the church or Ruth Stafinski at 865-6821.

Sutton Salutes the Troops

SUTTON - Any group or organization that would like to march in Sutton's July 4th parade or sponsor a booth at Family Day is asked to contact Sten Brote at 865-2991 or Sally Benoit at 476-3311 as soon as possible. The theme of the Independence Day Parade is, "Sutton Salutes the Troops."

Any member of the military from Sutton who was on active duty during the Persian Gulf War, or a member of the family, is asked to contact Brote no later than May 25.

Preschool Registration

MILLBURY - The Millbury Federated Church Nursery School is now holding registration for September 1991. The school offers a two day program for children 2.9-4 years old, a three day program for four-year olds, and a 5 day program. For further information, call 865-3886.

Sutton Youth Baseball

SUTTON - Sutton Youth Baseball's annual fundraising dance will be held Friday, May 17, at 7:30 p.m. at the Dudley-Gendron American Legion Hall. Tickets are $5.00. For more information and to order tickets, call Mark Campbell at 865-5546 or Brian Duclos at 234-8045.

Spring Market

MILLBURY - The Women's Fellowship of the First Congregational Church, West Main Street, will hold a Spring Market on Saturday, May 18, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Kathy Whitten is plant chairwoman and along with Ruth Marble and Chris Rudge will provide a colorful array of hanging plants, annuals, and geraniums. Joan Greenwood, cashier, will tally the purchases.

Freida Hines, Ella Grout, and Barbara Stansbury will have a delicious selection of homemade pies at their table, donated by the Fellowship's prize pie bakers.

Pat Bartelloni and Linda Lachance will have a good selection of used clothing and jewelry and small craft items at their table.

Salads, sandwiches, coffee and donuts will be available in the vestry kitchen from Tom and Chris Dion and Linda Pollissack.

Coin Drive Winners

MILLBURY - The Millbury Super Park Coin Drive winners for the heaviest weights of coins were as follows: 1st, the Lucas family, a $15 gift certificate to Millbury Amusement Center; 2nd, Brian Lavoie, a Nintendo game; and 3rd, Rob Bossler, Elm Draft House passes.

High Scorers

MILLBURY - Rebecca Kupcinskas and Shawn Adams have been designated High Scorers in the 1992 National Merit Scholarship Program. Their Selection Index Scores place them among approximately 50,000 highest scoring participants out of more than one million students who took the test.

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ment and "that this would make for very little impact regarding the staff and additional cost effecting education."

On **SEPTEMBER 9, 1983**, the Planning Board received its second report from Robinson & Fox on plans prepared by Charles A. Perkins. The summary review states that Perkins' latest submission, "although more complete than the previous one, does not appear to have fully addressed several of the concerns contained in the Town's Subdivision Rules and Regulations and noted in our June 6 letter."

The Robinson and Fox report includes the following:

"1. Some necessary information has not been included on the plan sheets as required by the Subdivision Rules and Regulations. Items such as a locus plan, legend, date, plan scale, names and locations of all abutters, location, direction and length of existing and proposed lot and property boundary lines, location and more complete identification of existing and proposed utilities, roadways, monuments, sewage disposal systems, subsurface information and easements are needed in order to accurately establish existing and proposed physical features and/or lines on the ground.

2. No specific construction plans are contained within the materials submitted.

3. Specific sedimentation and erosion control measures are detailed, and a methodology is presented in a general manner. However, a separate sedimentation and erosion plan is not included with this submission. Without this, it is not clear where and what type of control measures are to be implemented at specific locations across the project.

4. It appears that the Design Specifications, as put forth in the Subdivision Regulations, have not been fully complied with. Additional attention is warranted to several items, including proposed roadway pavement widths (not given on plans), water mains, fire hydrants, on site sewage disposal systems, and street lighting and fire alarms. It is our understanding that an analysis of the existing water supply system was prepared to this submission. This analysis was not included in the material provided to us for review. it is suggested that this document be reviewed in order to confirm that adequate pressure and flow rates exist within the municipal system to meet expected demands of the proposed development."

Several miscellaneous comments were also brought to the Board's attention. These were:

"a. It appears that portions of the proposed development will directly impact vegetative wetlands. While not a specific concern of the Planning board, it is suggested that the appropriate Town agencies having jurisdiction be notified to insure compliance with Chapter 131, Section 40 of the M.G.L.

b. Again, although not directly under the jurisdiction of the Board, some consideration should be given to the means of onsite sewage disposal. Information on existing soils, groundwater levels, percolation rates, and preliminary system design parameters, if available, would be most helpful."

Under a heading in the report entitled, "Design Specifications," it states that water mains conform to design standards but gates are spaced at distances greater than 1,000 feet apart.

"In addition," the report reads, "it appears that some of the water service connections to multiple Town House units may not provide adequate capacity for the two to eight residences served. There are also several cases where two residences are shown to be serviced by a single connection to the water supply system. This could present possible metering problems as well. A water system analysis has been prepared, but was not provided for us to review."

The report also noted that only three fire hydrants were indicated on the plan to serve the entire 180 units. "Some of these hydrants are spaced more than the required 500 feet apart," the report states. "From a fire protection point of view, it does not appear that the number of hydrants provided is adequate for this development."

With respect to sewage, the report reads, "The locations and type of onsite sewage disposal systems are indicated on this plan. No design date has been provided at this time. Subsurface soils information, if available, would be most helpful to determine the suitability of the existing soils for sewage disposal. Although it is understood that the sewage disposal systems have not been completely designed, as yet, it should be noted that additional regrading appears to be required at some locations to insure surface water is directed away from these facilities."

Under Miscellaneous Comments, it was noted that Robinson & Fox personnel checked the wetland boundaries in the field for this site. "It appears that this development does impact wetland areas in conflict with the State Regulations," the report states. "Specifically, the access drive to the northern portion of the development crosses a small vegetated wetland in conflict with subsection 10.53e of the Sate Law. Also subsection 10.55 (4 (b)) does not allow for a retention area within a wetland without some compensatory wetland area being created."

At the **SEPTEMBER 12, 1983, PLANNING BOARD** meeting, William F. Keegan, Jr. is named as the Town Planner to replace Weitz. Also, Paul Aubrey joins the board to replace Walter Tebo.

In the minutes of that meeting, it was mentioned that a letter was received from Attorney Stanley Weinberg of the law firm of Collins & Associates, Shrewsbury, Town Counsel, relative to the conflict of interest question regarding Board Chairman Jim Fitzpatrick.

The letter, addressed to Fitzpatrick, read as follows:

"This is in response to your letter of August 15, 1983, in which you questioned whether or not your participation, as a member of the Millbury Planning Board, in the special permit application submitted by Forrow Builders, Inc., relative to the Paul Revere Townhouse condominium complex would constitute a violation of the conflict of interest law--M.G.L. c. 268A--where your wife is a real estate broker in town who has in the past, and may in the future, act as a broker for Forrow Builders, Inc.

As a member of the Millbury Planning Board, you are a 'municipal employee' as that term is broadly defined in M.G.L. c. 268A, s. 1(g). Section 19 of the conflict of interest law prohibits a municipal employee from participating in any matter in which he or any member of his immediate family has a financial interest.

"You indicated in your letter that neither your wife nor the real estate agency for which she works [Janet E. Cahill Real Estate] has any brokerage agreement whatsoever with Forrow Builders, Inc. relative to the Paul Revere Townhouse condominium complex. Assuming this to be true, and assuming further that no such brokerage agreement is under consideration or negotiation, it is my opinion that you wife does not have a financial interest in the Paul Revere condominium complex. Whatever financial interest she might have is so speculative and remote in nature and is shared with so many other (i.e., all other real estate brokers and sales persons in the Millbury area) that Section 19 of the conflict interest law would not prevent you from participating in the pending special permit application."

The Planning Board then began a review of the two reports submitted by Robinson and Fox. Fitzpatrick said he and Weitz had met with Frank DiPietro and Bruce Thomas of Perkins Engineering Co. last Friday to go over the proposal.

Weitz said the builders were told to submit their plans as the subdivision rules and regulations called for, or to submit their plans and ask for waivers. "Forrow Builders did design the plans the way they wanted to, but never addressed the issues that they wanted waivers for. Mr. R. Weitz stated that they did submit more specific construction plans, such as spot elevations, location and sizes of trees and the boundaries.

According to the minutes, "No specific construction plans are contained within the materials submitted. The wetland areas are required by the Subdivision Regulations and would facilitate the construction phase of the proposed development.

"Specific sedimentation and erosion control measures are detailed. However, a separate sedimentation and erosion plan is not included with this submission.

"The design specifications have not been fully complied with. Additional attention is warranted to several items: proposed road-

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Strieby Named Chairman; Johnson, Vice Chairman

By Lawrence Moore

SUTTON - The April 30 Selectmen's Meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. with all present.

Reorganization

In view of the philosophy of Board Chair rotation following the Town election, Mary K. Connor nominated Wally Johnson to serve as Chairman of the Board. Selectman Mike Chizy nominated Dave Strieby. Selectman Rick LaBonte, in seconding Strieby's nomination, said, "I think Wally is a very capable individual and brings much to the Board. It is not so much a vote against Wally but a vote for Strieby." He said Strieby's background in the Finance and Warrant Advisory Committees would be important in the difficult economic period ahead. There were two votes for Johnson and three for Strieby.

LaBonte then nominated Johnson for Vice Chairman, and Chizy seconded the nomination. He was elected 5-0.

Chizy was elected to serve as clerk on a unanimous vote.

Strieby, in his introductory remarks, said he hoped for positive communication not only among the Board, but also with the community and all the other boards. He asked for "support, assistance, advice, insight," and the benefit of other member's past experience.

Correspondence

A letter from State Auditor Joseph DeNucci advised that a proposed fiscal year 1992 budget item is the assessment by mandate of 10% of teachers' retirement costs, all of which have to now be borne by the State. A provision by-passing the "no mandate without funds" text of Proposition 2 1/2 is included, negating court challenge. DeNucci asked towns to advise their Senators and Representatives of their position on the proposal. The Selectmen, in opposition, will make personal calls and send a letter .

Clark Landing Access

The Planning Board is asking that access to Clark Landing be available as in the past. This is to make sure the proposed Pleasant Valley Housing Development does not interfere with public access, even though the Pond is on private property. The board will consider this after town meeting.

Manchaug Boat Ramp

LaBonte said he received several phone calls from fishermen who are irate over the proposed $5 access fee on weekends. Town Administrator Dexter Blois will pursue the matter with the State.

Burbank/Sibley Intersection

Scott Paul, Chair of the Planning Board, is calling attention to and asking support for a solution to a traffic safety problem at the intersection of Burbank and Sibley Roads.

Blois and Highway Surveyor Ray Smith will talk with abutters to try to work out a satisfactory plan. The long-standing problem was the subject of a lawsuit, and, as Johnson reported, has been lying dormant until now.

LaBonte said Nick Moran of the Planning Board has spoken with a land owner and is encouraged about a solution that will result in increased traffic safety.

Miscellaneous

- There are two vacancies on the Sutton Arts Council.
- Insurance bids for all insurance except Workers Compensation have been advertised. Bids will be opened June 7.
- The Lot 3 house on Skyline Drive has been sold and will provide enough money ($17,500) to complete the check list items the town is required to do.
- Connor felt the status of the action of the Solid Waste Committee was still unclear and recommended a further discussion after Town Meeting.
- The Board of Health is down to 1 1/2 members. Residents interested in serving are asked to contact Blois.

Town Hall Intersection

In return for "in-kind-services," the State road contractor will complete the lowering of the crown of the road at the center intersection. The town will install two drains.

Johnson reiterated the importance of a "stop" sign requested for Boston Road westbound. Blois feels it will be approved when the construction is completed.

Johnson moved that the town take a strong stand on the stop sign before the intersection is lowered. Strieby seconded but withdrew the second when further discussion questioned the "get tough" attitude. It will be necessary while the intersection work is being done to detour traffic through Church Lane for no more than two days. Blois will inform the State of the Town's desire to have the "stop" sign.

Desert Shield Service People

Johnson felt citations should be offered to all service people, three overseas and four others, who served during the Persian Gulf War. LaBonte asked that families and friends inform Blois of any other service people who should be recognized.

Budget

The Board reviewed the recommendations of the Finance and Warrant Advisory Committee for the May 6 town meeting.

It was estimated that the tax rate will be $10.42. This is a very tentative figure, which will be final only when all figures are final. The '91 rate was estimated at $10.20, but was actually $9.94. There is, however, no assurance the fluctuation will be as great or in the same direction.

Tax Collections

The first half of 1991 taxes are 95% collected. This is considered very good. There are 120 parcels in "tax-title" process. The treasurer is preparing an update.

Historical Society Display

MILLBURY - The Millbury Historical Society has a new display in the Town Hall: two pieces of Civil War stationery sent home by Edwin Hoyle of West Millbury who enlisted in 1862 at the age of 16 and became a member of Company H of the 34th Massachusetts Infantry; a framed photograph of Edwin, his discharge paper, and application form for membership in the G.A.R.; the New York Herald paper and application form for membership in the G.A.R.; the New York Herald dated April 15, 1865; the November 11, 1918 editions of the Worcester Telegram and of the Worcester Evening Post; a staff used by the G.A.R.; and a 16 star American flag.

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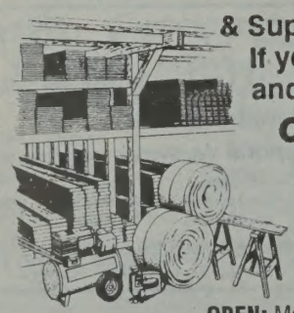
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way pavement widths, water mains, fire hydrants, on site sewage disposal systems, and street lighting and fire alarms."

The minutes also state that some consideration should be given to the means of onsite sewage disposal.

Abutter Anthony Mangano, of Braney Road, questioned whether Boston Surveying Co. had looked at any of the sewage system designs.

Fitzpatrick replied that they (builders) do not have to submit these plans to the Planning Board. "The sewage designs are given to the Board of Health, and they must meet Title V regulations."

Discussion followed regarding some of the comments made in the September 9 Robinson Fox report.

It was noted in the report that the Board should consider the fact that town sewerage may be going down Grafton St.

"Mr. D. Markey stated that he does not feel that the Board has resolved whether or not it would be feasible to think that there will be town sewerage within the next 10 years. He would like to see that area with sewers. Discussion followed as to how it would be possible to know whether or not there would be sewers, and the benefits that would occur if sewers were installed. The fact that sewerage could be hooked-up from the town of Grafton was discussed. In view of the fact that the Planning Board had discussed this previously with the Sewer Commissioners, and they have not heard from them since then, Mr. Aubrey stated that he would like to request that the Sewer Commissioners meet with the Planning Board at the September 26 meeting to discuss this matter."

Discussion followed "regarding the fact that the Conservation Commission had not checked the area where the wetlands are."

Mr. Mangano stated that he had spoken with Mr. Luikey, Chairman of the Conservation Commission, "and he felt that the wetland area would not be affected for several years as it is in the back of the land."

Planning Board member Mary Anne Dube stated that she had also discussed this with Mr. Luikey "and he stated that there have been so many changes in the wetland act that if they made a decision now, it would possibly change by the time the builder is building on that particular section of the property."

Mangano asked if there was any multi-family dwelling that was disallowable under a special permit.

Markey stated "this is not considered multi-family dwelling. This is considered single family dwelling."

A memo in the Planning Board files dated September 21, 1983 noted that Forrow Builders would be requesting waivers for the following requirements:

"1. The measurement and location of trees 12" in diameter and over. There is concern on the part of the developer that such a requirement may propose a density problem in terms of landscaping.

"2. The developer requests the use of woodchips in place of loam and seed in particular areas which seem appropriate.

"3. The developer requests the use of Cape Cod Berm as opposed to the use of granite curbing.

"4. In terms of drainage, the developer requests the use of flaired concrete pipe in place of headwalls.

"5. Block constructed manholes are proposed in place of pre-cast structures. There is a significant cost factor involved.

"6. The developer also proposes the use of bituminous concrete in place of concrete for the sidewalk construction.

(NEXT WEEK: The Fire Chief meets with the Planning Board.)

'Sammy, the Bookworm Program'

Photo Courtesy of Elmwood Street School

Some of the participants in the "Sammy, the Bookworm Program," (l-r) Keith Lenahan, Christine Hendrickson, Andrew Raffa, Laura Markey, Shawn Zimmerman, William Blunt, Jeffrey Burwick, Jessica Puleo, Patrick Nolen, Alex Myrick, (back) William Haddad, (front) Kristen Stokowski, and Kene Piasta.

MILLBURY - Approximately 200 youngsters at the Elmwood Street School recently participated in a three month reading incentive program. Before Christmas, parents of all children at Elmwood Street School were sent home a letter explaining the program. All interested families were invited to read with, or to, their children for approximately 10-20 minutes each day. A recommendation that reading should occur four to five times a week was given.

In order to personalize this experience for the younger children, each child was given a "Sammy the Bookworm" with a calendar for each month. After children completed their reading, they colored in the appropriate box on the calendar. Each month a new calendar was added, and "Sammy" grew. Small prizes were awarded monthly. The program was immensely successful with much enthusiasm coming from the children. "Sammy" became a reading friend to many of the youngsters.

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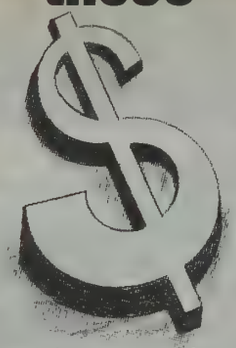

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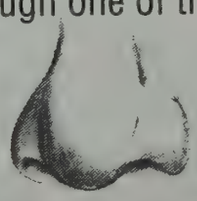

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From My Window on Farnsworth Court

By "Pastor Rae" Cameron

May is here in full swing in all its beauty and splendor. It is a month of many celebrations and activities for our communities. Having survived May Day itself (I'm all tuckered out from allllll those baskets), and now it's Happy Mother's Day!

Poor Mother, she gets pushed right up front again. In June, we'll follow thru with Children's Day and after a bit of thought about who's left, we'll get around to Father's Day at last. So May is a great family month, followed by another family event, and that will be the many graduations.

There has been a lot of talk about Women's Liberation, and its basic premise is much needed in our society. BUT, a BIG BUT, a mother is anything BUT a liberated person. She is a Bond Slave.

Now a Bond Slave was a person who had won their freedom and chose to remain a slave of a loving master. An earlobe was nailed to the door post as a symbol of this free slavery. The precious persons who gave us life have given themselves freely to a slavery of loving care and concerns. The Greeks had a word for it as they usually do, and that is "Storge." That is the natural love mothers especially have for their children.

When Jesus wanted us to know of a loving God, he used the term "Father" for that description. Though I am not of that theology, I admire the Roman Catholic Church's devotion to the mother of our Lord Jesus, Mary. The main point is that we do have a loving and caring God who loves us and cares for us all. Amen.

Beacon Hill Roll Call

This week's "Beacon Hill Roll Call" records the votes of Senator Matthew Amorello (R-Grafton) and Representatives Richard Moore (D-Uxbridge) and Paul Kollios (D-Millbury) on roll calls from the week of April 29-May 3.

TRANSPORTATION BOND (H 5506) House 147-0, Senate 33-0 gave final approval and sent to the Governor the conference committee compromise version of a $5 billion plus transportation bond package to fund the Central Artery/third harbor tunnel project and upgrades and repairs to mass transit, bridges and roads. One senator voted "no" but his vote was "paired" under a Senate rule and does not appear in the total. All three legislators voted for the package.

BLUE LAWS (H 5010) - House 121-19, refused to refer to the Ways and Means Committee Governor Weld's proposal to relax the Sunday Blue Laws including allowing all retail stores to open Sunday mornings. The proposal had received an unfavorable report from the Commerce and Labor Committee. Referral supporters said this was a way to keep the bill alive instead of having the House accept the unfavorable report. Many argued it is time to abolish these archaic laws and claimed early Sunday openings could generate $9 million in increased tax revenue and also help businesses. Referral opponents said relaxing the laws will create a longer work week, hurt small businesses and decrease the time families can spend together. Moore and Kollios voted against referral.

Yard Sale at Library

MILLBURY - Clean out your attic and closets to make room for the bargains you'll get at the Friends of the Millbury Public Library's annual yard sale, 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday, May 18.

Donations of saleable articles (no large items or clothing) can be made by calling 865-1181 or by dropping them off at the library between May 14 and the day of the sale.

The Friends is a non-profit organization designed to stimulate community interest in library services and support. The Friends does this through an active program of volunteer and fund-raising activities.

Italian Night Dinner

MILLBURY - An "Italian Night Dinner" put on by the Altrusa Club of Worcester County will be held on Saturday, May 11, at the VFW on South Main Street. The cost is $6.00 per person. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. A variety of italian dishes will be served, and several prizes will be raffled. Proceeds from this dinner are put toward community service projects.

Former Millbury Man Receives Bronze Star

PHOENIX, AZ - Nearly 50 years after Clarence Gendron was awarded a Combat Infantryman Badge for front-line duty in Europe, the former Millbury man was given a Bronze Star by the U.S. Army. The Bronze Star is awarded for heroic or meritorious achievement or service.

Gendron, who now lives in west Phoenix with his wife of 50 years, Mary, learned of his eligibility for a Bronze Star last year from a magazine published by veterans of the 5th Armored Division.

"Our whole outfit was called onto the field in 1943 or '44," Gendron said in an interview with the **Arizona Republic** recently, "and they gave us Combat Infantryman Badges. At that time, days and places didn't mean anything. They gave us the badges right on the battlefield." Gendron said he also received five battle stars.

Gendron joined the National Guard in 1939, certain that at 5 feet, 2 1/2 inches he would be too small to get into the Army. In 1941, his unit was federalized. "I wanted to get in the military and do my share," Gendron said in his interview. He first served as a cook and later was shifted to a front-line infantryman when his unit became overloaded with kitchen personnel.

The timing of Gendron's award has not diminished his pride in his accomplishments. "To a lot of people," he said, "it doesn't mean much. But, what the hell, I know what we went through."

Gendron and his wife lived at 122 South Main Street before retiring to Phoenix 11 years ago. Prior to that, he served for many years as a school custodian in the Millbury Public School System. Congratulations from everyone back home, Mr. Gendron!

Potpourri Fair

MILLBURY - The annual Potpourri Fair sponsored by the Women's Fellowship of the Millbury Federated Church, 20 Main Street, will be held on Saturday, May 11, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tables will include jewelry, food/candy, crafts, handmade items and white elephant. A snack bar will be available. A specialty of the fair will be the plant sale, just right for Mother's Day gifts, Memorial Day plants and spring spruce ups. Chairwomen for this event are Audrey Mogren and Florence Powers.

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Giant Yard Sale

SUTTON - On Saturday, May 11, Sutton Boy Scout Troop 131 will hold a giant yard sale to benefit the Venture Crew. Hours will be 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 328 Boston Road (near the Town Hall). Over 25 families have contributed items.

The Venture Crew is a program for older scouts in the Troops. This year, the crew is planning a High Adventure trip to the Northwoods of Maine for white water canoeing.

Appreciation Committee Seeks Info on Desert Storm Veterans

MILLBURY - The Millbury Veterans Appreciation Committee is trying to identify all Millbury residents who served in the Gulf during the Desert Shield/Storm operation. Contact has been established with all individuals whose names appear on the posters located on the Town Common and at the Old Center School on Elm and Waters Street, with the exception of one: Elde D. Dutter.

If anyone can help locate Dutter, or knows the whereabouts of a family member or close friend, contact the Veterans Office at 865-4743.

If someone knows of an individual whose name is not on the posters, inform the Committee and they will investigate. The committee is looking to recognize all Millbury residents.

Veterans Appreciation Fund

MILLBURY - Contributions are now being accepted for a fund honoring the Millbury veterans who served in the Gulf during the Desert Shield/Storm operation.

Plaques from the citizens of Millbury will be presented to the veterans, or their families if a veteran cannot attend, during a ceremony to be held after the Independence Day Parade on June 30.

Make checks payable to the Millbury Lions Club-Veterans Fund and mail to: Millbury Lions Club, P.O. Box 385, Millbury, MA 01527 or to the veterans agent at the Millbury Town Hall. Excess funds will be used for veterans activities.

Initiated into Phi Theta Kappa

MANCHESTER, NH - Kristina M. Jackson, of 43 Beach Street in Millbury, was initiated into Phi Theta Kappa Society and received an "outstanding student award" in the marketing field at Hesser College on April 18th.

She will graduate on May 11 and plans to attend Worcester State College in the fall to continue her education.

Camp Fire News

MILLBURY - Millbury Camp Fire will hold its monthly leaders' meeting on Wednesday, May 15, at Asa Waters Mansion at 7:00 p.m. Due at that meeting are the count and money for the Father's Day Weekend Campout at Camp Marshall June 14, 15 and 16. The cost is $10 per child, per night.

Any groups that cannot attend the sleep over are welcome to participate on Saturday for lunch, swimming, and carnival games. The cost is $2.00 per child. Call Sue Rainville at 865-4617 if you have any questions.

Public Luncheon

SUTTON - The First Congregational Church of Sutton will hold a Public Luncheon on Wednesday, May 15, from noon to 1 p.m. This all-you-can-eat buffet will feature Oven Baked Chicken. Tickets are $3.50 for adults.

Flea Market

GRAFTON - The Unitarian Church, Grafton Common, will hold its annual Flea Market and Rummage Sale on Friday, May 10, from 7-9 p.m. and Saturday, May 11, from 10 a.m. to noon.

Yard Sale at Library

MILLBURY - Clean out your attic and closets to make room for the bargains you'll get at the Friends of the Millbury Public Library's annual Yard Sale, 9 a.m. to noon, on Saturday, May 28.

Donations of saleable articles (no large items or clothing) can be made by calling 865-1181 or by dropping them off at the library between May 14 and the day of the sale.

The Friends is a non-profit organization designed to stimulate community interest in library services and support. The Friends does this through an active program of volunteer and fund-raising activities.

Host Families Sought

HOUSTON, TX - The Educational Foundation for Children Abroad (EFCA) is currently looking for host homes in the Worcester area. French students between the ages of 15 and 18 will be visiting the Massachusetts area during July and August of 1991 and volunteers are needed to host families on a regular basis. To learn more about this program, call Valerie Kokernak at 1-800-427-6147.

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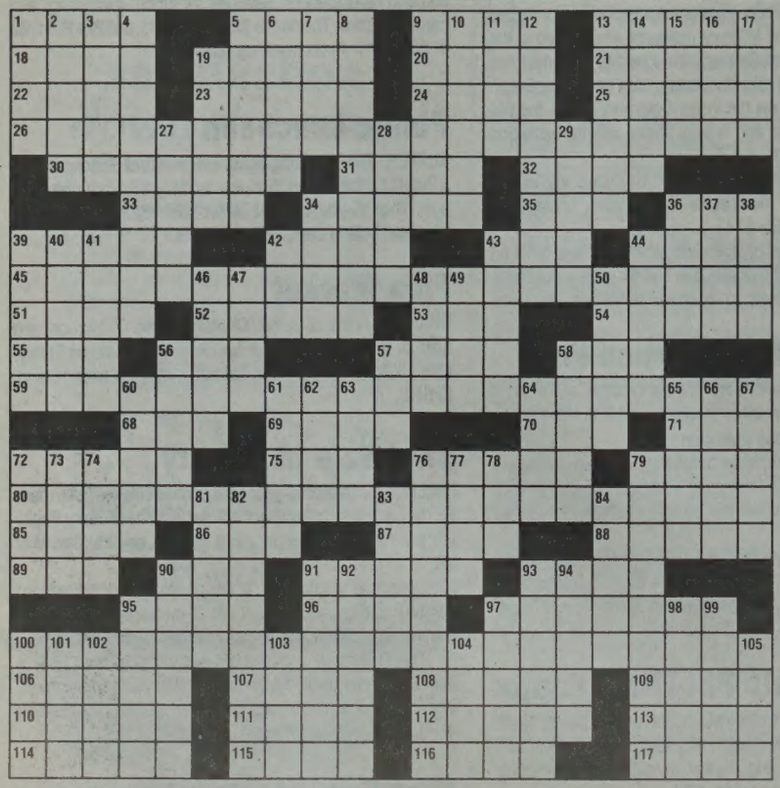

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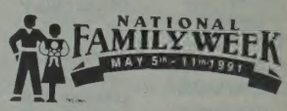
By Frances Hansen

ACROSS

1 Earth's nearest neighbor
5 Ersatz
9 Lose vigor
13 Keep an eye on
18 Portent
19 Honolulu greeting
20 Hayworth or Gam
21 Kentucky Derby winner: 1935
22 —-War ("Big Red")
23 Of the nasal cavities
24 Maple tree genus
25 Mature
26 Why did Maureen invest in Ireland?
30 Southpaws
31 Ending with differ or depend
32 Corrida cries
33 Fleming and namesakes
34 Gaseous element in the news
35 Pallid
36 Mike's pal
39 Raleigh's rival
42 Mongolian desert
43 — es Salaam
44 Cunning
45 Has Maureen an American TV favorite?
51 Matter's superior
52 Playing marble
53 For all time, poetically
54 Soprano Aprile of the Met
55 Snaky curve
56 Parseghian
57 Captain Hook's henchman
58 — Saud
59 Has Maureen a movie idol?
68 Cockfight locale
69 Thine, in Thiers
70 Salt Lake City player
71 Distinctive time period
72 Inventor Howe
75 Call — day (quit)
76 W.W. II German bomber
79 Hence
80 Has Maureen a favorite song?
85 Clean a pipe
86 Polka follower
87 Enough, old style
88 Express a view
89 Sea eagle
90 Fuss
91 Actor Keach
93 John Paul II
95 Last word
96 Legal wrong
97 Changes the circuit
100 How did she get that medal?
106 "In the — days..."
107 Hawkeye State
108 White poplar
109 Marsh bird
110 Use up
111 Seemly
112 "Up the lazy —"
113 Frogner Park city
114 Preliminary races
115 Taro root
116 Flanders stream
117 Metric units, in verse

DOWN

1 Pops' mates
2 Menotti character
3 Taylor or Adoree
4 Névé
5 Playground attractions
6 Wagner, the "Flying Dutchman"
7 Captain of the Pequod
8 Pliable
9 "El Caudillo" of Spain
10 Type of moss
11 To — (exactly)
12 First "Today Show" host
13 Deteriorate
14 Awry
15 Record
16 Newscaster Huntley
17 Brinker, the skater
19 "Ugly —" (very homely)
27 "...to get you in —, Honey..."
28 Kind of ink
29 Cause consternation
34 Gen. — E. Lee
36 Gallup indertaking
37 Katarina Witt's leap
38 Rookie
39 Salinger girl and namesakes
40 — kebab
41 Intuit
42 Juliette Low's org.
43 John or Bo
44 Toss
46 Gold measure
47 Zounds!
48 San —, Italian resort
49 —-do-well (wastrel)
50 Permeate
56 Mennonite
57 —-fi, Bradbury's forte
58 Minute amounts
60 Sudden contraction
61 Indistinct
62 Preminger
63 Horse color
64 Ellington or Wellington
65 Dramatist Jones (Baraka)
66 Fluorescent lamp gas
67 Maccon's river
72 Bronte's Jane
73 Villain's grimace
74 "No man — island": Donne
76 Place of refuge
77 Helen was here
78 T-X connection
79 "— the North": 1973 film
81 Totted up
82 Midday
83 "Do I — Waltz?"
84 Subject under discussion
90 Rectifies
91 Like some prunes
92 Love apple
93 Striptease dancer
94 Proud possessor
95 Concerning
97 "Superman" Christopher
98 Wipe out
99 Cask plug
100 Broadway's Logan
101 Greek flask
102 Brainstorm
103 Tilled the soil
104 Baseball stats.
105 Coin deposit



Solution to Last Week's Puzzle

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School Lunch Menus

WEEK OF MAY 13-17

MILLBURY HIGH SCHOOL

MONDAY: ravioli/meat sauce, french fries, garlic bread, mixed fruit
TUESDAY: chickenburger on a roll, french fries, corn, Jello/topping
WEDNESDAY: baconburger on a roll, lettuce & tomato, french fries, fruit
THURSDAY: hot turkey sandwich, french fries, peas, cranberry sauce, cake
FRIDAY: cheese or pepperoni pizza, french fries, tossed salad

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

MONDAY: link sausages, pancake/syrup, hash brown potato, applesauce
TUESDAY: juice, ravioli/meat sauce, green beans, french bread/butter, Jello/topping
WEDNESDAY: pastrami sandwich, french fries, corn, fruit
THURSDAY: hot dog on a roll, french fries, baked beans, ice cream
FRIDAY: juice, pizza, tossed salad, peanut butter bar

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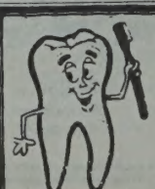

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FOR SALE

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[5.16]

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Calendar

SATURDAY, MAY 11
SUTTON - Sutton Boy Scout Troop 131 will hold a giant yard sale from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 328 Boston Road (near the town hall.)

MILLBURY - The annual Potpourri Fair sponsored by the Women's Fellowship of the Millbury Federated Church, 20 Main Street, will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

MILLBURY - Car wash from 9-3 at the VFW on South Main Street to benefit the Youth Center's 4th of July float.

MILLBURY - Fall Soccer Registration from 10:00 a.m. to noon at the Town Hall.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15
SUTTON - The First Congregational Church of Sutton will hold a Public Luncheon from noon to 1 p.m. All-you-can-eat buffet will feature Oven Baked Chicken. Tickets $3.50.

MILLBURY - Millbury Camp Fire will hold its monthly leaders' meeting at Asa Waters Mansion at 7:00 p.m.

MILLBURY - Fall Soccer Registration from 7-8 p.m. at the Town Hall.

FRIDAY, MAY 17
SUTTON - Sutton Youth Baseball's annual fundraising dance will be held at 7:30 p.m. at the Dudley-Gendron American Legion Hall.

Please Note

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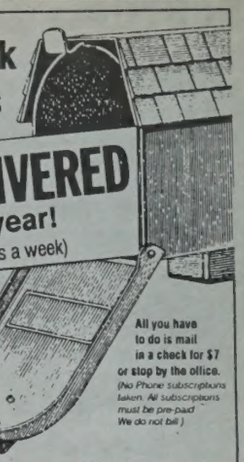

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ST. BRIGID'S - MILLBURY: Rev. Thomas J. Markey, Pastor; Rev. Laurence V. Brault, Associate Pastor - Weekday Masses: 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.; Saturday Masses: 4:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.; Sunday Masses: 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.; Confessions: Saturday from 11:30 a.m. to noon, and from 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

St. ANNE'S - MANCHAUG: Weekday Masses: Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m.; Friday at 7:00 p.m.; Saturday Masses: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday Masses 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Confessions: Saturday at 4:00 p.m.; Baptisms by appointment.

ST. MARK'S - SUTTON: Rev. John E. Horgan, Pastor - Weekday Masses: 9:00 a.m.; Saturday Masses: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday Masses: 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Confessions: Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, U.C.C, MILLBURY: Rev. Jane Haley, 865-9737; Sundays: Church School at 9:00 a.m., Worship at 10:30 a.m. Child care is available, fellowship time follows worship. Come join us!; Diaconate - First Thursday; Executive Committee - second Monday. Please inquire about Women's Fellowship meetings and events.

MILLBURY FEDERATED CHURCH - UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, United Methodist Church - the Rev. Stewart Rowley, Interim Pastor - Sundays: 10:00 a.m., Worship and Childcare; 10:15 a.m., Church School; 11:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship

FIRST BAPTIST, WEST SUTTON: The Rev. John Olson - Sunday Morning Worship at 9:30 a.m. followed by Coffee Time at 10:30 a.m.; 3rd Tuesday of each month - Women's Association meetings.

MILLBURY BAPTIST (American Baptist): The Rev. H. Raeburn Cameron, Pastor; Mr. Charles H. King, Minister of Music. Sunday School - Nursery through Adults at 9:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m. (nursery provided); Communion Sunday, first Sunday of the month. Wednesdays: 10:00 a.m., Discovery Group meets for Bible study; Thursdays, Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m.

RAYMOND MEMORIAL CONGREGATIONAL (United Church of Christ): Mr. Raymond Mars, Pastor; Miss Elfreida Klaucke, Organist - Sunday Morning Service at 9:30 a.m.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL, Main St., Wilkinsonville: Rev. Walter E. Reynolds; Saturday, 5:30 p.m. - Holy Communion; Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion - 10:00 a.m. Holy Communion (1st-3rd-5th Sunday); Morning Prayer on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Church School - Pre-School - Grade 8

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THE VILLAGE BIBLE CHURCH, meeting in the Raymond Memorial Church, Raymond Street, East Millbury: Pastor, Rev. Bruce Buchanan; Sunday Services at 11:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Sunday School, 5:30 p.m.; Wednesday night prayer meeting and Bible study, 7:00 p.m.

SUTTON FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH: Rev. Andrew J. Bierkan, Pastor - SUNDAYS: 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship & Church School in the Meetinghouse; Crib Room Nursery, Preschool 3's & 4's, Kindergarten, Grades 1-8 at 10:00 a.m.; Jr. P.F. meets twice a month as announced; Sr. P.F. 7-9 p.m. Adult P.F. meets twice a month as announced; Cherub Choir (grades K,1,&2) rehearsals following worship. PROGRAMS: 2nd Thursday, Women's Fellowship of Sutton luncheon/program/meeting at noon. MONTHLY PUBLIC SUPPERS: 1st Saturdays, two sittings, 5 & 6:15 p.m. MONTHLY PUBLIC LUNCHEONS: 3rd Wednesday, noon to 1 p.m. April-November

HOSANNA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP, Rev. CLiff Larson, 865-7414: meeting in the former Center School, corner of Elm and Waters Street, Millbury. Non-denominational, Spirit led services. SUNDAY: coffee and donuts at 10:30 a.m.; Worship Service at 11:00 a.m. (Sunday School for ages 3-12 during Sunday morning message); Revival Service at 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m., Bible Study. Nursery provided for all services.

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 88 Main St., South Grafton. Member-Conservative Congregational Christian Conference. Howard C. DeVries, Pastor; Elsie Wilson, organist. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m. Sunday evening Service of Prayer and Praise, 7 p.m. Wednesday, choir rehearsal.

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over; everyday the same thing." Barton said the troops were constantly cleaning their weapons and living in dirt. "We'd normally get a shower every three days."

Gradually the heat began to decrease. "It was around 90 degrees at Christmas," he said, "and one night it was around thirty."

"Everywhere we went we had to dig a hole," Barton explained, "four feet deep was the minimum. The best way to do it is a foot longer than you and a foot wider than you. If you were lucky you'd be able top get a few palettes here and there to put overhead to camouflage, then cover it over with dirt. Every now and then we'd joke, 'Diggin' our grave tonight!'"

Barton recalled that six days before the assault began, his battalion was in an attack position on the front lines. He drew a 1 AM radio watch. Earlier in the day, the chaplain had brought the men books to read and he had read one on mysterious powers. One chapter that caught his eye was on the 6th sense of animals, "So I read it," he said. "I'm not much of a believer in that stuff. What was weird was that around 01 I heard a dog barking so I was pretty curious because where we were there was nothing; no lights, nothing, just flat land. I was getting ready to go on watch and just peeked up to see where the dog was - just to look at a dog for once in the last four months and all of a sudden the dog stopped barking and a jet swooped down and released a few bombs and came back again for a second run and dropped a few more bombs on us. That was the first encounter that we had, and come to find out it was American. Nobody got hurt, though."

Barton spent Christmas on the road but the troops had ham and turkey dinners. He said they were given the day off and troops had fun playing volleyball.

He spoke highly of his training and said the soldiers paid strict attention to chemical warfare. "We trained and trained and trained constantly on that," Barton emphasized. He said that part of training was to frighten them even though the Iraqis did not have very sophisticated chemical systems. "They wanted us to be scared. If you tell someone it's going to be a piece of cake, they just say, fine, I think I'm good enough to do it right now. But we expected a lot of casualties with gas, especially artillery."

Barton spoke of his only encounter with chemical warfare. "We were going through the breach and the mine fields and the Iraqis had a few gas mines that we had tripped over. He said the Americans had a vehicle called "The Fox" that detects all kinds of gases. "They detected it and warned us to get on level four; your MPC suit, your gloves, your boots and your gas mask. But it went away really quick."

Barton said the first day of battle began at 3 a.m. and got to the six foot high berm that the Iraqis constructed as part of their defense perimeter. This defense forces tanks to expose their bellies where they are most vulnerable. "We plowed through it (the berm) with no problem," he said. "Then our hearts started pumping. We were really getting nervous. Rockets and rocket grenades were being fired over us at the Iraqis."

He said that after the troops had breached the berm, they had to wait until the mine fields were cleared. There were two mine fields separated by about 300 meters which they called "Death Valley" because the Iraqis trained their artillery in that location. "We had to constantly move; just get through it," he said. He described all of the activity that was going on while they were trying to get through the mine field. "There was incoming artillery and others shells and POW's. We took over 5,000 POW's the first day," he said. According to Barton it took them fifteen minutes to get through the mine field after which time they had to stop and search about 1,000 POWs. This was by 11 a.m. of the first morning.

Barton's Marine Division was spearheading the attack because they had been there the longest. The plan was to keep moving ahead without stopping so as to deny the Iraqis time to regroup. They could see and hear the jets and Cobra helicopters as they proceeded ahead.

"We didn't rest the whole four days; we didn't have time, no time at all," he said. "Every time we stopped, we'd say, 'Let's go; let's go; let's go!' We didn't want to stop for anything."

By the third day Barton said his division had accomplished its objective which was to capture the Sixth Motorway which was central to the Iraqis resupply route. His battalion was given seven days to accomplish that and they had completed their objective in just three days.

On the fourth day, Barton's battalion staged right on the highway just four or five miles West of Kuwait city. They stayed there for two weeks, "and just got back to reality." There was no fighting during this time.

He described a battle which took place during the third night in which they took on the Republican Guard's 8th Armor Brigade. He said Army tanks "annihilated everything; no misses." He said that most of the fighting occurred at night. American forces could see 4,000 meters and the Iraqis could see 2,000 meters.

Much time was spent searching POWs, which had to be done very cautiously because they feared that the POWs might be booby trapped. One soldier would hold a rifle on the prisoner who was lying face down with his arms extended over his head. The soldier would then lie on the POW's back, grab him under the armpit and roll away from his body so if there was an explosion, the prisoner would receive the impact of it.

Barton, understandably, said he has grown up a lot as a result of his experiences. He plans to return to Millbury in a year after his tour of duty is up.

Barton stands before the transport vehicle he drove during the war.

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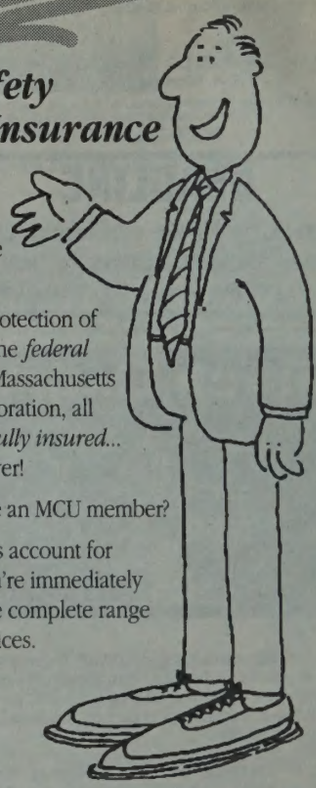

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